

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph [0025] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0025] The protective layer 120 can, for example, comprise at least one of Al_2O_3 and Y_2O_3 . In another embodiment of the present invention, the protective layer comprises at least one of a III-column element (column III of periodic table) and a Lanthanone element. In another embodiment of the present invention, the III-column element comprises at least one of Yttrium, Scandium, and Lanthanum. In another embodiment of the present invention, the Lanthanone element comprises at least one of Cerium, Dysprosium, and Europium. In another embodiment of the present invention, the compound forming protective layer comprises at least one of Yttria (Y_2O_3), Sc_2O_3 , Sc_2F_3 , YF_3 , La_2O_3 , CeO_2 , Eu_2O_3 , and ~~DyO_3~~ Dy_2O_3 .